COMMUNITY CONVERSATION



Public Input Information:

The Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) has published regulations to better define the settings in which states can provide Medicaid Home and Community Based Services (HCBS). The final rule became effective March 17, 2014 to ensure people receive Medicaid HCBS in home and work settings that are integrated in and support full access to the greater community.

The new regulations require the state to develop a transition plan to make certain that settings operated by Community Support Providers (CSP) meet the new CMS settings requirements. The new regulations also require states to obtain public input regarding the transition plan. The Division of Developmental Disabilities (DDD) will be hosting public forums, as well as a webinar, to gather feedback from self-advocates, families, guardians, advocacy organizations and CSPs. The DDD will use the input to further develop the transition plan. A draft copy of the transition plan will be available February 2, 2015, at http://dss.sd.gov/sdmedx/hcbs/.

Dates, Times, and Locations:

February 09, 2015		
Watertown, SD	Country Inn and Suites	9:00 am—10:30 am CST
	3400 8th Ave Southeast, Watertown, SD	
Sioux Falls, SD	Holiday Inn- City Center, Falls West Room	1:00 pm—2:30 pm CST
	100 West 8th Street, Sioux Falls, SD	
February 10, 2015		
Rapid City, SD	Ramkota, Washington Room	9:00 am—10:30 am MST
	2111 North LaCrosse Street, Rapid City, SD	
February 12, 2015		
Webinar	Contact Colin Hutchison for invitation information.	9:00 am—10:30 am CST

Your participation and input is an extremely valuable part of the transition plan process.

Please contact Colin Hutchison if you have questions related to the forums, webinar or transition plan.

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